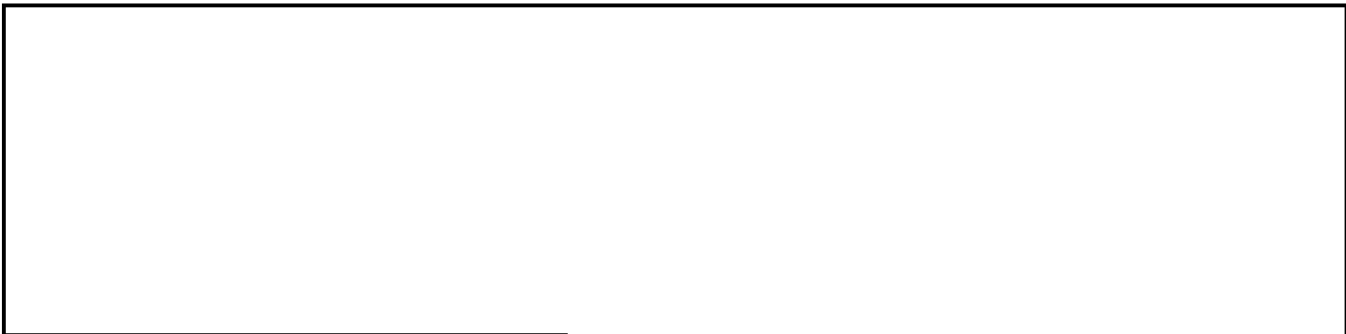


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Received a call from Bill Van Ness, Chief Counsel, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, with further reference to queries he has received from Senator Lee Metcalf's (D., Mont.) office about security clearances (especially compartmented) for members of Senator Metcalf's personal staff. Van Ness wanted to confirm his understanding from prior conversations with us that it was the Agency's policy to grant special clearances only to the staffs of congressional committees when in the opinion of the chairman of the committee there is a need for access to this information by the staff. Further, clearances of this type are not granted to the personal staff of Members of Congress. I told Van Ness that this was our position. He said he had suggested to Metcalf's office that they submit requests for regular TS clearances to the Secretary of Defense.

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